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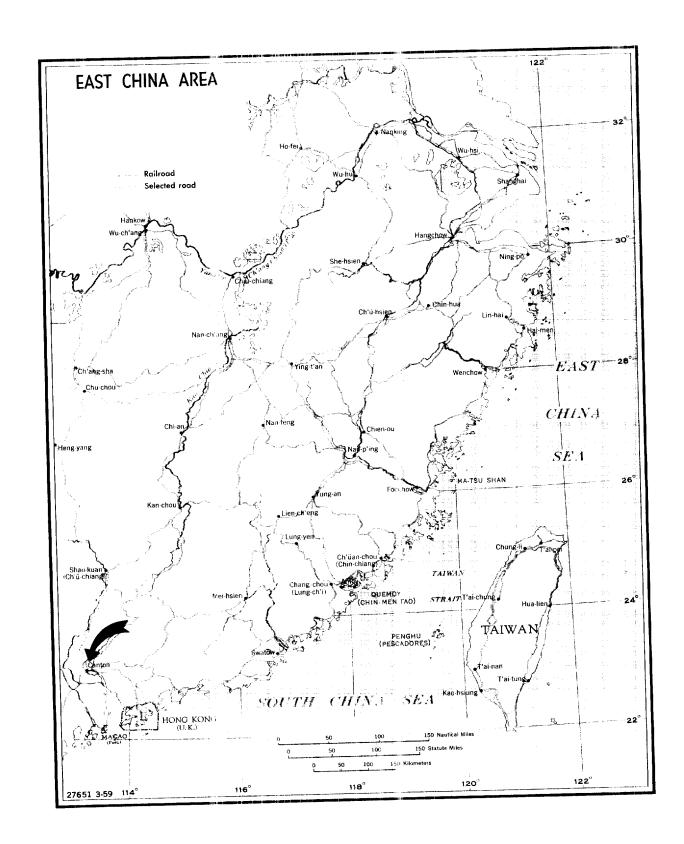
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TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITY CANTON, CHINA

Canton is one of the principal ports of Communist China, and the southern terminus of the Peiping-Hankow-Canton rail line. Reportedly, increased economic activity throughout Communist China has resulted in transportation facilities of all types being heavily taxed. An analysis of shipping, harbor facilities, rail facilities, and associated storage facilities has been made from photography in an attempt to determine the extent of transportation activity in the Canton area.

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The port facilities were not crowded on the date of the referenced photography. Although 15 cargo vessels longer than 200 feet were in the port area additional berthing space was available. Rail activity appeared to be light with less than 150 rail cars noted. Little new construction of harbor facilities, storage areas, and rail facilities was noted.

The major port installations are located on the accompanying map, and described in the following tabulation of annotations.

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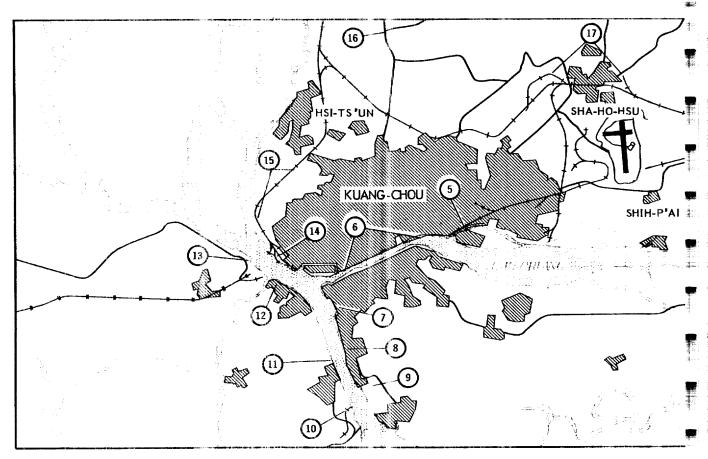
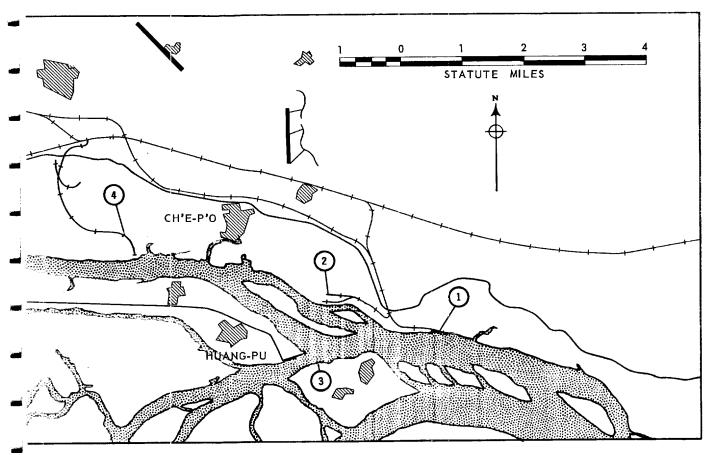


FIGURE 1. TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITY

KEY TO ANNOTATIONS

| INSTALLATION | SHIPPING | RAIL CARS | STORAGE | NEW CONSTRUCTION |
|---|---|--|--|---|
| Huang-pu port facilities and railyard | 2-240' cargo) 1-320' cargo) off shore 1-430' cargo) | 26 rail cars Yard 10% occu- pied | Considerable open storage including coal Utilized near-ly to capacity. | Area east of terminal under construction, probably for open storage |
| | 1-460' cargo) 1-440' cargo) 1-375' cargo) 1-265' cargo) Additional berths available | | | |
| 2. Open storage | Numerous log rafts | None | Lumber. Not utilized to capacity | Served by two new raif spurs |
| 3. Huang-pu Naval Base | 1-165" patrol craft 3-210" probable LST | • | Little | None |
| 4. New rail spur | None | None | None | Single-track spur serving several new industries which are under const. |



CANTON (KUANG-CHOW), CHINA

| INSTALLATION | SHIPPING | RAIL CARS | STORAGE | NEW CONSTRUCTION |
|--|--|------------------------|--|------------------|
| 5. Railroad repair shops S.E. | None | Passenger cars only | Little | None |
| 6. Dock area for small craft | Numerous sampans, junks, and lighters all less than 130' | • | Scattered small bldgs, and dock- side open storage | None |
| 7. Warehouse area, Ho-nan North | Numerous small craft | - | Warehouse and open storage | None |
| 8. Industrial and storage area | 1-265' cargo in stream 1-175' cargo at wharf Additional space available | - | Warehouse | Little |
| 9. Industrial and warehouse area, Ho-nan South | 1-420' cargo in stream 1-155' cargo at pier Additional space available | None | POL tanks and warehouse | Little |

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| INSTALLATION | SHIPPING | RAIL CARS | STORAGE | NEW CONSTRUCTION |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| 10. Shipyard | 1-255' cargo in drydock 1-265' cargo at wharf 2-155' cargo in stream 1-175' cargo in drydock 1-155' cargo at wharf 1-130' cargo in stream 1-130' cargo at wharf Little additional space | None | Little | New track from river to shipyard |
| 11. Warehouse and POL storage area | Space available for small craft | None | Warehouses and POL tanks | Little |
| 12. Industrial and warehouse area | Numerous sampans and junks | None | Small warehouses | Little |
| 13. Shih-wei-tang railyards | None except small craft and ferries | 11 box cars 14 passenger cars Yard 20% occu- pied | POL tanks, ware- house, and open storage | Most of storage facilities are of recent construction |
| t4. Wong-sha rail- yards | Numerous amail craft less than 100' | 15-20 rail cars Yard 10% occu- pied | Little | None |
| 5. Open storage area | Small craft only | None | Coal | Most of this area is new and still under construction |
| 16. Hsi-tsun Rail- yards | None | 60-65 rail cars Yard 20% occu- pied | None | None |
| 17. Military storage | None | None | Warehouses | Warehouses and two rail spurs are of recent construction |

REQUIREMENT: Prepared in answer to RR/E/R129/58 requesting a photographic analysis of transportation activity in the port of Canton, China.

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MAP DATA:

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COORDINATES: 23°07'N/113°15'E

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